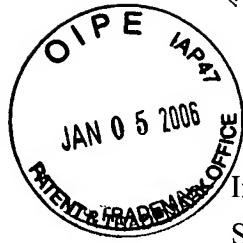


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A Stem To A Lamp Capsule )

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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action dated October 4, 2005, for which the shortened statutory period for response is set to expire three months after said date, please reconsider the above-entitled Application in view of the following amendment and remarks.